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Catharine R. Carruthers
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1954
Education: Wake Forest 1980 JD
Began Service: July 24, 1995
Term Expires: July 24, 2009

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Rufus W. Reynolds, United States Bankruptcy Court (1980-1981)

Legal Practice: Billings, Burns & Wells (1982-1985); Allman Spry (1985-1995)

Current Memberships: Forsyth County Bar; The North Carolina State Bar

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Thomas W. Waldrep, Jr.
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: June 6, 1957
Education: Purdue 1979 BA; Indiana 1983 JD
Began Service: July 19, 2004
Term Expires: July 2018

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Number of Judgeships: 3

Areas Covered: Counties of Alexander, Alleghany, Anson, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Iredell, Jackson, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Union, Watauga, Wilkes and Yancey

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Robert J. Conrad, Jr.
Chief Judge

Education: Clemson 1980 BA; Virginia 1983 JD
Began Service: June 3, 2005
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: U.S. Attorney, North Carolina - Western District, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice

Legal Practice: Law Clerk, Michie, Hamlett, Donato & Lowry (1981-1983); Associate, Michie, Hamlett, Donato & Lowry (1983-1986); Partner, Horn & Conrad (1986-1987); Attorney, Robert J. Conrad, Jr., PA (1987-1988); Partner, Bush Thurman & Conrad (1988)

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Richard Lesley Voorhees
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1941
Education: Davidson 1963 BA; North Carolina 1968 JD
Began Service: October 28, 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Instructor (part-time), Gaston College (1980)

Government: Member, Gaston County Board of Elections (1970-1972)

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina (1991-1998); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina (2006)

Legal Practice: Associate then Partner, Garland, Alala, Bradley & Gray (1968-1974); Partner, Garland & Alala (1974-1980); Richard L. Voorhees Law Firm (1980-1988)

Military Service: United States Army (1963-1965); United States Army Reserve (1965-1969)

Current Memberships: Federal Judges Association; North Carolina Bar Association; The North Carolina State Bar

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Lacy H. Thornburg
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1929
Education: North Carolina 1951 BA, 1954 JD
Began Service: March 21, 1995
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Government: State Representative (NC), North Carolina House of Representatives (1961-1966); Attorney General, State of North Carolina (1985-1992); Member, Indian Gaming Commission, United States Department of the Interior (1994-1995)

Judicial: Judge, North Carolina Superior Court (1967-1983)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1954-1967)

Military Service: United States Army (1947-1948)

Current Memberships: North Carolina Bar Association

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Frank D. Whitney
District Judge

Date of Birth: November 1959
Education: Wake Forest 1982 BA; North Carolina 1987 MBA, 1987 JD
Began Service: July 2006
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Carl Horn, III

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**Carl Horn III**
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: Virginia 1973 BA;
South Carolina 1976 JD
Began Service: April 3, 1993
Term Expires: April 2009
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Legal Counsel and Adjunct Professor, Wheaton College (1979-1982)

Government: Special Assistant to the Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Office of the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice (1982-1983); Chief Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of North Carolina, United States Department of Justice (1987-1993)

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Carl Horn, III *continued*

Legal Practice: Grier, Parker, Poe, Thompson, Bernstein, Gage & Preston (1976-1979); Horn & Warren (and successor firm) (1984-1987)

Staff

Career Law Clerk **David L. Grigg, Jr.** (704) 350-7470
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Career Law Clerk **Michelle D. Robinson** (704) 350-7470

Chambers of Magistrate Judge David C. Keesler

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David C. Keesler
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: July 10, 1962
Education: North Carolina 1984 BA; Virginia 1987 JD
Began Service: May 3, 2004
Term Expires: May 2012

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Mecklenburg County Bar Association; North Carolina Bar Association

Staff
Law Clerk **Dustin Taylor** (704) 350-7433
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Term Expires: September 2007
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Chambers of Magistrate Judge Dennis Howell

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Dennis Howell
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: October 5, 2004

Staff
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Chambers of Senior Judge Graham C. Mullen

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Graham C. Mullen
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: Duke 1962 BA, 1969 JD
Began Service: October 25, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

Legal Practice: Partner, Mullen, Holland, Cooper, Morrow, Wilder & Sumner (1969-1990)

Military Service: United States Navy (1962-1966)

Current Memberships: Mecklenburg County Bar Association; The North Carolina State Bar

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